Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The invention herein provides a method for automatically configuring an IEEE 802.1x client terminal to provide secure access in a wireless local area network environment comprising the steps of the filtering traffic associated with an HTTP request from the client terminal for access to the wireless network redirecting the HTTP request to a designated web server, and issuing a request from the designated web server to the client terminal for information required to establish an authorized communication. Thereafter, the client terminal provides the web server information required to establish an authorized communication. In the course of the communication, the web server indicates to the client terminal information corresponding to such parameters as transmission rates, user account requirements, authentication method selection information, new account creation procedures, and user terms and conditions which are all typically required to establish an authorized communication. The client terminal user responds accordingly with web server access rate information, web server user account creation information, user access authentication method selection information, and user acceptance of the offered service required to establish an authorized communication.--